

and compatible land-use; recycle water programs; and a variety of clean air programs, including alternative-fuel vehicles and traffic mitigation. All of these programs have received awards from environmental organizations and regulatory agencies for outstanding achievement.

I wish Jack Driscoll well and thank him for his contribution towards improving Southern California's aviation gateway.●

IN MEMORY OF JIM DEFRA NCIS

● Mr. ABRAHAM. Mr. President, I rise today in memory of Jim Upton DeFrancis: a great politician, a great historian, and a great family man, who died on January 1 of this year.

Jim DeFrancis was one of the most influential people in the political field, always maintaining political savvy—but not sacrificing perspective, an incredible sense of humor, and a belief that politics was an avenue for serving others. Very early in my career, I had the good fortune of working for Jim in Senator Bob Griffin's office. I will never forget the many lessons I learned from him—both directly and simply by working near him. One couldn't help but learn from Jim DeFrancis.

In addition to his 10 years with Senator Griffin, Jim DeFrancis was an integral member of the presidential campaigns of Gerald Ford and George Romney. As a member of the staff of these politicians, Jim was able to avoid the spotlight while serving Michigan and national politics, in the honorable and professional manner for which now he is recognized as a very significant member of Michigan political history.

Jim's love of politics was rooted in his love of history. He especially enjoyed reading about Winston Churchill. An avid reader, Jim collected any book on Winston Churchill that he could find, as well as other artifacts related to the late Prime Minister. During difficult times, Jim would look at Churchill's life as a model, gaining inspiration and guidance.

And while Jim's contribution to politics is exceptional—in his very actions, he inspired us to work for others through politics—his true love was his family. More than anything else, Jim DeFrancis was a family man. Survived by his wife, three sons, his mother and sister, his family was the real focus of his life. Everyone who came in contact with him would quickly learn about his family—as he always found a way to bring them up in a conversation.

Jim DeFrancis' devotion to his family, his friends, and his career was matched by few and will be deeply missed by those who knew him. We will never forget Jim—crossing paths with Jim DeFrancis was sure to leave a lasting impact. And it is this lasting, far-reaching impact that Jim's life has had on those who knew him which calls to mind a quote that I think Jim would appreciate, not only because it is a quote by Winston Churchill, but be-

cause I believe Jim would be moved to know what an influence he had on us:

"This is not the end. It is not even the beginning of the end. But it is, perhaps, the end of the beginning."●

BUDDY CHARLES

● Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I rise today to take note of an upcoming milestone in the career of a man from Illinois whose musicianship, warmth and exuberance have brought joy to all who have heard him play and sing over the past 52 years.

On Saturday, October 9th, Mr. Buddy Charles will play the final night of his most recent engagement—a 9-year stand at the Drake Hotel in Chicago. Buddy Charles is no less than a living encyclopedia of what critics call the "Golden Age" of American popular music. During the period from about 1920 to 1950, the Gershwins, Arlens, Berlins and Carmichaels of the world produced a rich legacy of songs. Although recorded versions of these songs are numerous, they are kept alive in a special way by entertainers such as Buddy Charles.

Buddy is a lifelong Chicagoan, born there 72 years ago, raised on the North Side, and a graduate of Loyola University. The roster of clubs in which he has performed since 1946 reads like a history of night life and entertainment in Chicago: London House, Spaghetti Bowl, Dubonnet, Casino, Drum Lounge. . . .

Perhaps his most memorable stand—chronicled frequently by the Chicago news media—was his 18-year engagement, from 1972 to 1990, at the Acorn on Oak. There he could be found, as the Chicago Tribune wrote, "shouting and singing when most sensible people are sleeping and dreaming, the most devilishly delightful creature of the city night."

And it was there that Buddy became the favorite entertainer of two of Chicago's most famous personalities—Mike Royko and Harry Caray. When Mike's memorial service was held two years ago in Wrigley Field, there was Buddy at home plate, playing and singing Royko's favorite song.

Buddy's music and personality have provided refuge, relief and delight to four generations of music lovers. And through all those years, he has also been a loving husband to his wife of 45 years, Pat, a caring father to their now-grown children Teresa, Christopher, Tabitha and Amanda, and a daily churchgoer and teacher of catechism.

He has given himself to thousands of people through his music. Although it is a little sad that he won't be dispensing his brand of joy on a nightly basis any more, it is reassuring to know he is available to play when someone asks.

My sincerest good wishes to Buddy Charles and his family on this important occasion.●

FREDERIK MEIJER GARDENS DEDICATION OF LEONARDO DA VINCI SCULPTURE, IL CAVALLLO

● Mr. ABRAHAM. Mr. President, I rise today to acknowledge and congratulate Frederik Meijer and the Frederik Meijer Gardens as they unveil and dedicate the Da Vinci sculpture Il Cavallo (the horse).

Frederik Meijer's incredible generosity and foresight enabled Il Cavallo to be seen at its permanent home in the Frederik Meijer Gardens. In an effort to fulfill his dream of creating a world class sculpture garden Frederik Meijer and the City of Milan, Italy (where an identical sculpture is located) allowed for the work of Da Vinci to be recommissioned and created. Il Cavallo was originally sketched and commissioned by Da Vinci in 1482 and he continued to work on it for fourteen years. However, the bronze intended to cast the sculpture was used to make cannons to defend the city of Milan, therefore Da Vinci never completed the work.

In 1977, after reading an article about the horse that Da Vinci never had the chance to create, amateur sculpture and pilot, Charles Dent created the first model of Il Cavallo. After his death in 1994 Nina Akamu sculpted the Il Cavallo that is on display today. The sculpture was cast using twenty thousand pounds of bronze, stands twenty-four feet tall and weighs fifteen tons.

Frederik Meijer is to be thanked and commended for carrying out his vision and giving a world class gift to the city of Grand Rapids and the people of Michigan. Nearly five hundred years ago Da Vinci had the vision for this great horse. Due to the acts of Frederik Meijer, a great humanitarian, this rare and magnificent work of art will stand tall in the Frederik Meijer Gardens for all to see for many years to come.●

EXPRESSING SYMPATHY FOR THOSE KILLED AND INJURED IN EARTHQUAKES IN TURKEY AND GREECE

Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President, on behalf of the majority leader, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 198, submitted earlier by Senator SNOWE.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 198) expressing sympathy for those killed and injured in the recent earthquakes in Turkey and Greece and commending Turkey and Greece for their recent efforts in opening a national dialog and taking steps to further bilateral relations.

The Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and

that any statements relating to the resolution be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 198) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 198

Whereas in the wake of the tragic earthquakes which struck Turkey on August 17, 1999, leaving up to 16,000 dead, 24,000 injured, and 100,000 homeless, and Greece on September 7, 1999, killing 143, injuring 1,600, and leaving 16,000 homeless, an improvement of relations between Turkey and Greece has occurred;

Whereas within hours of the earthquake hitting Turkey, Greece sent rescue teams, doctors, firemen, and emergency supplies to Turkey;

Whereas immediately after the earthquake struck Greece, Turkey, already dealing with its own devastation, sent rescue personnel to Greece;

Whereas in July, senior foreign ministry officials of Greece and Turkey held talks, the first talks at this level since 1994, to discuss bilateral cooperation in the fields of tourism, the environment, trade, and the economy as well as cooperation in combating organized crime, illegal immigration, drug-trafficking, and terrorism;

Whereas in September 1999, a second round of talks between senior foreign ministry officials of Greece and Turkey were held as a follow-up to the July meeting, and a third round has been planned for October 1999;

Whereas this spirit of cooperation has led to a warming of relations and confidence building measures, including—

(1) a naval vessel of Greece calling at a port of Turkey for the first time in more than a century;

(2) Greek and Turkish news commentators agreeing to publish their columns in each other's newspapers;

(3) Greece indicating that it is prepared to accept the candidacy of Turkey for membership in the European Union as long as Turkey meets all criteria for membership in the Union; and

(4) Turkey and Greece praising the other for earthquake assistance; and

Whereas the desire to further cultivate relations between Turkey and Greece has created an atmosphere of hope: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) expresses sympathy for those killed and injured in the recent earthquakes in Greece and Turkey;

(2) commends, encourages, and supports recent efforts by Greece and Turkey to improve bilateral relations between those countries; and

(3) reiterates the importance of promoting positive bilateral relations between Greece and Turkey, which are of paramount interest to the United States.

APPOINTMENTS

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to Public Law 105-277, announces the appointment of the following individuals to serve as members of the Parents Advisory Council on Youth Drug Abuse: Robert L. Marginnis, of Virginia (two-year term); June Martin Milam, of Mississippi (Representative of a Non-Profit Organization) (three-year term).

DESIGNATING OCTOBER 15, 1999, AS "NATIONAL MAMMOGRAPHY DAY"

Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 179, designating October 15, 1999, as "National Mammography Day."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 179) designating October 15, 1999, as "National Mammography Day."

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution and preamble be agreed to, en bloc, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements relating thereto be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 179) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 179

Whereas according to the American Cancer Society, in 1999, 175,000 women will be diagnosed with breast cancer and 43,300 women will die from this disease;

Whereas in the decade of the 1990's, it is estimated that about 2,000,000 women will be diagnosed with breast cancer, resulting in nearly 500,000 deaths;

Whereas the risk of breast cancer increases with age, with a woman at age 70 years having twice as much of a chance of developing the disease as a woman at age 50 years;

Whereas at least 80 percent of the women who get breast cancer have no family history of the disease;

Whereas mammograms, when operated professionally at a certified facility, can provide a safe and quick diagnosis;

Whereas experts agree that mammography is the best method of early detection of breast cancer, and early detection is the key to saving lives;

Whereas mammograms can reveal the presence of small cancers up to 2 years or more before a regular clinical breast examination or breast self-examination, reducing mortality by more than 30 percent; and

Whereas the 5-year survival rate for localized breast cancer is currently 97 percent: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) designates October 15, 1999, as "National Mammography Day"; and

(2) requests that the President issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe such day with appropriate programs and activities.

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President, as in executive session, I ask unanimous consent that the Agriculture Committee be discharged from further consideration of the following nomination; and further, the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration:

Andrew Fish, to be Assistant Secretary of Agriculture.

I further ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed, en bloc, to the following nominations on the calendar:

Nos. 236, 250, 251, and 252.

Finally, I ask unanimous consent that the nominations be confirmed, the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table, that any statements relating to the nominations be printed in the RECORD, and the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The nominations considered and confirmed en bloc are as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Andrew C. Fish, of Vermont, to be an Assistant Secretary of Agriculture.

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

John D. Hawke, Jr., of the District of Columbia, to be Comptroller of the Currency for a term of five years.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Robert Raben, of Florida, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

Robert S. Mueller, III, of California, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of California for a term of four years.

John Hollingsworth Sinclair, of Vermont, to be United States Marshal for the District of Vermont for the term of four years.

ORDERS FOR FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8, 1999

Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until the hour of 9:30 a.m. on Friday, October 8. I further ask unanimous consent that on Friday, immediately following the prayer, the Journal of the proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed to have expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate then proceed to executive session for consideration of the Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

AMENDMENT FILING DEADLINE

Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President, as in executive session, I ask unanimous consent that the deadline for amendments to be filed at the desk on the Nuclear Test Ban Treaty be 9:45 a.m. on Tuesday, October 12.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT—AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS CONFERENCE REPORT

Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that debate resume on the Agriculture appropriations conference report at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 12, and the time be equally divided between the two leaders.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.